DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC COMMENT

Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act and §62.1-44.19:7.C of the Code of Virginia require the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to develop TMDLs for pollutants responsible for each impaired water contained in Virginia's 303(d) TMDL Priority List and Report. Therefore, the DEQ is hosting a Public Meeting to discuss the development of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) in Roses Creek in Brunswick County for bacterial and benthic impairment. DEQ also seeks written and oral comments from interested persons on the development of the bacterial and benthic TMDLs for Roses Creek. The Roses Creek bacteria TMDL addresses a 9.85 mile segment from Alberta to the mouth at Great Creek. The benthic TMDL addresses a 3.02 mile segment from Alberta downstream to Route 646. These TMDLs will determine the amount of bacteria, nutrients and solids that Roses Creek may contain and still maintain water quality standards. The meeting will be on **Thursday, November 20, 2003 at 7 p.m.,** in the Municipal Office Council Chambers at 400 N Main Street in Lawrenceville, VA (parking in back) and will last approximately 90 minutes. The purpose of the meeting is to give a brief introduction on TMDLs, answer questions from the public, verify DEQ data and obtain information from the public to fill in the gaps in the DEQ data on Roses Creek. Please feel free to invite others to this meeting.

A one month public comment period for this phase of the TMDL development will end on December 20, 2003. Information pertaining to TMDL development is available upon request or can be found on the DEQ's web site at http://www.deq.state.va.us/tmdl. Written comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the comments. Questions or information requests should be addressed to Mark S. Alling, Department of Environmental Quality, 4949-A Cox Rd., Glen Allen, Virginia 23060, telephone (804) 527-5021, fax (804) 527-5106, or e-mail msalling@deq.state.va.us.